

Senate Resolution 106

By: Senators Golden of the 8th and Carter of the 13th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending and congratulating the Valdosta State University Football Team; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the 2004 Valdosta State University Football Team won four consecutive playoff
4 games and, in front of the crowd in Florence, Alabama, and a national television audience
5 looking on at home, clinched a 36-31 victory over top-ranked Pittsburg State to win the
6 NCAA Division II National Championship; and

7 WHEREAS, the Blazers finished their regular season with an amazing record of nine wins
8 and one loss, and secured Valdosta its fourth championship in the last five years; and

9 WHEREAS, for inspiring and leading this team to the national championship, Valdosta
10 State's head coach, Chris Hatcher, was named Division II national football coach of the year;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, these accomplishments were the culmination of a season of hard work,
13 exemplary sportsmanship, and exceptional teamwork among a group of highly talented and
14 dedicated athletes; and

15 WHEREAS, the Valdosta community and the State of Georgia take great pride in the
16 accomplishments of these fine champions, and the team will be honored at the capitol on
17 February 15, 2005.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
19 join in commending and congratulating the Valdosta State University Football Team, 2004
20 Gulf South Conference Champions and NCAA II Division National Champions, and Head
21 Coach Chris Hatcher for their outstanding performance during this exciting and memorable
22 season.

- 1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 2 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Chris Hatcher, Head Coach of the
- 3 Valdosta State University Football Team.